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Playful Puppy

Chris Baughman, 21, and Chandler Brown, 21, play with Franklin, a 9-month-old terrier and pit bull mix at the Alachua County Humane Society. Baughman and Brown are members of UF's Navy and Marine Corps Echo Company, one of three companies that participated in a day of service on Thursday.

Scott's tuition promise finds support

ERIN JESTER
 Alligator Staff Writer

The Florida Alliance for Student Action is holding Gov. Rick Scott to his pledge to oppose tuition hikes for Florida students.

Scott announced this week that he would oppose raising tuition by 8 percent at Florida colleges and universities.

"We see it as a victory for students across Florida," said Cassia Laham, 22, statewide coordinator for FASA. "But you also have to take everything Rick Scott says with a grain of salt."

Scott's refusal comes with the caveat that Florida's focus should be on reducing costs.

"These people in the Capitol just don't know how to budget money, obviously."

Cassia Laham
 coordinator for FASA

That means cutting programs and putting more classes online, which is unacceptable, Laham said.

During February, FASA, a network of Florida college and university students, will organize events on campuses across the state calling for the legislature to pass laws ensuring affordable, quality education.

The month-long campaign will culminate in a day of action on March 1, when all Florida FASA chapters will coordinate one action to send a clear message against what they call legislators' attacks on education.

Quality education must stay affordable in Florida, Laham said, which won't happen if the legislature still allows low tax rates for the wealthy.

"These people in the Capitol just don't know how to budget money, obviously," she said.

Student Body President Anthony Reynolds said the key is finding a balance between struggling students' finances and the quality of education.

Reynolds said Scott's refusal to further burden students is a good sign.

"It means a lot to me that he's aware of that, and that it's an issue for him," he said.

I-75 under repair after accidents

Repaving to occur in coming months

ADRIANNA PAIDAS
 Alligator Writer

The stretch of Interstate 75 that cuts through Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park used to be a smooth, gray strip of asphalt, a long carpet that rolled through the

grass. One early Sunday morning, before the sun came up, smoke from a nearby brush-fire crept onto a stretch of that highway obscuring the view of drivers passing through. Accidents ensued. Between mile markers 379 and 380, to-

ward the south end of the prairie, 12 cars and seven semitrailers were involved in pileups that resulted in fires on both sides of the interstate.

The vehicles that caught fire in the southbound lanes — two semitrailers and an SUV — left scars on the pavement.

One mile of the highway took the lives

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Last unknown victims of crash identified

► THE VICTIMS WERE FROM PENSACOLA.

TYLER JETT
 Alligator Staff Writer

In some of the most difficult moments following the deadly Interstate 75 crashes, family members publicly identified the last unknown victims four days after their deaths.

Michael Hughes and his wife, Lori, were in the front seats

of a Dodge pickup truck heading south from Pensacola when the pickup slammed into a stopped semitrailer Sunday morning, according to a Florida Highway Patrol release. Then a Ford SUV rear-ended the pickup, crushing the truck. Both vehicles caught fire.

The couple, and Michael's 17-year-old daughter, Sabryna Hughes Gilley, died. Because the damage to the truck was so extensive, medical examiners did not find Sabryna's remains

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Rosa Parks memorial tribute

Saturday, 5:30 p.m.
Rosa Parks RTS Downtown Station, 700 SE Third St.
The Rev. Milford Lewis Griner, the president and founder of the Rosa Parks Quiet Courage Committee, will lead the tribute which will take place in front of the bronze memorial plaque that was erected and dedicated in November 2008, the same year the RTS transfer station was renamed after Rosa Parks by official act of the Gainesville City Commission.

James E. Scott Black Student Leadership Conference

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Ustler Hall
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STUDENT LIFE

Degree applications due today

JULIA GLUM

Alligator Writer

Students planning to graduate at the end of the spring semester must apply for a degree by today.

The Office of the University Registrar's website does not indicate a deadline time.

Applicants can log onto isis.ufl.edu and select "Degree Application" on the left side under "My Record."

Students can only apply for one degree at a time, according to the

site. Those who plan to graduate with multiple degrees will have the option to return to the page to submit additional degrees.

The page asks applicants to type their names exactly as they want it to appear on their diplomas, including letters with accents and special characters.

Students can choose whether they want to be listed in the commencement program and enter their degree request information.

Responses to all three sections

are required. After the application is submitted, a confirmation page should appear.

Students who miss the deadline can petition to apply late through the registrar's website. Students must submit the forms to their college's dean's office for approval.

The first deadline for ordering a cap and gown is March 2. Graduating students can also purchase honors cords, and students with certain degrees rent hoods with their caps and gowns.

Faculty to receive 3 percent raise

ERIN JESTER

Alligator Staff Writer

Eligible UF faculty members will receive a 3 percent raise beginning with their first paychecks in March, but not without conditions.

In exchange for the raise, faculty members will sacrifice some of their leave benefits.

Upon leaving UF, the maximum payout for unused vacation leave is now 200 hours. Maximum vacation leave accrual for faculty at year's end was reduced from 480 hours to 352 hours.

Payment for unused sick leave will be eliminated, except for eligible faculty who retire on or before June 30, 2016.

Paula Fussell, vice president of Human Resource Services, said faculty members are generally happy

with the raise, which was initially proposed in June. It balances a state law passed last year requiring state employees to contribute to their own retirement funds.



Fussell

"It depends on which faculty you talk to, but overall I think the faculty receiving the 3 percent payment are pleased and understand the trade-off for the leave changes," Fussell said.

United Faculty of Florida has not yet agreed to the proposal, excluding faculty union members from the raise.

UFF members are also not affected by the vacation and sick-leave changes, which become effective for non-UFF faculty members on Feb. 17.

UF receives \$10M for neurosurgery dept.

► UF WILL MATCH THE GIFT TO FUND BRAIN TUMOR RESEARCH.

CLARE LENNON

Alligator Staff Writer

UF's neurosurgery department plans to use \$20 million to research the causes of brain tumors.

A \$10 million gift from the Wells Foundation, matched by another \$10 million from UF, will bring a team of scientists to the university, said Dr. William Friedman, chairman of UF's Department of Neurosurgery.

About 20,000 tumors originated in the brain are diagnosed in the U.S. each year. Half of those are gliomas, which are much more difficult to treat and cure, he said.

The scientists will research what causes brain tumors and how they form. Friedman said

he hopes that will help doctors determine a cure.

He said UF's neurosurgery department is in the country's top 10 in patient volume, and it's not a shortage of doctors that's the problem.

"We need scientists," he said.

Friedman said the team of scientists will mostly focus on glioma brain tumors. He described current treatment as "dismal."

"We need scientists."

Dr. William Friedman

chairman of UF Department of Neurosurgery

The Wells Foundation gave \$5 million in 2006 to establish the Preston A. Wells Jr. Center for Brain Tumor Therapy, according to a UF news release. This donation will create the Lillian S. Wells Fund for Brain Tumor Research.

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FHP: Drivers should not be concerned

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of 11 people Sunday morning. The asphalt running through the prairie is no longer that rolled-out carpet.

Twenty feet of asphalt just past mile-marker 379 is discolored and disfigured from the fires.

A black shadow lurks over the middle and right lanes. The burned black pavement is spotted with four mounds of gritty

asphalt, each about as wide as a beach ball and as tall as a speed bump.

When cars speed over the bumps and the 20 feet of tarnished road, tires grumble.

The Florida Department of Transportation will repave the two burned southbound lanes, most likely within the next month, FDOT spokeswoman Gina Busscher said.

Most of the damage is only in southbound lanes, Busscher

said. There are little cuts in the pavement going northbound to be repaired near mile-marker 380. Despite this, she was reassuring.

"Drivers should not be hesitant," she said. "There is no danger here."

Until the inspectors at FDOT determine the extent of the road damage, Busscher said, the cost of the repairs will be unknown.

For the rest of the story, visit alligator.org.



Alex Catalano / Alligator Staff

The southbound lanes of Interstate 75 near Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park were damaged by Sunday's series of wrecks, which claimed 11 lives.

Pensacola family to hold memorial service Sunday

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until two days later, the teenager's mother, Celeste Knapp, told the Pensacola News Journal on Thursday.

After the crash, which was caused by thick smoke and fog early Sunday morning, a tow truck carried the Hugheses' pickup to the forensics compound in the back of the Alachua County Sheriff's Office.

"[The pickup] looked like an accordion," said Larry Bedore, director of investigations for the District 8 Medical Examiner.

Gainesville Fire Rescue peeled back layers of twisted metal before removing the pickup's roof and front seats. On Tuesday, medical examiners discovered Sabryna, increasing the death toll of the crashes to 11.

FHP did not confirm the identities of the three victims in the truck Thursday, but authorities told Knapp on Tuesday they found the remains of her daughter, according to the News Journal. Messages sent to Sabryna's family members were not returned Thursday night.

Michael, Lori and Sabryna were traveling to Sarasota on Sunday to attend Lori's father's funeral.

More than a dozen people worked on the truck this week, including medical examiners, forensics specialists, detectives and crime scene investigators, Bedore said. An anthropology team from UF was also involved.

Led by Katie Skorpinski and Traci Van Deest, six or seven students helped, said Dr. Michael Warren, director of the C.A. Pound Human Identification Laboratory. The lab, located in the Shands at UF Cancer Center, analyzes skeletal remains for the medical examiner's office.

The investigators spent the week combing through the inside of the truck with brushes, looking for charred bones and teeth.

Friends and family members will hold a candlelight vigil in Sabryna's honor tonight at Avondale Park in Pensacola at 5:30.

"My daughter and my best friend left this temporary world as a victim of the deadly I-75 crash in Gainesville," Knapp wrote on her Facebook wall Wednesday morning. "This is an incredibly hard disposition for me.... She impacted and touched lots of lives."

A memorial service will be held for Sabryna at Jubilee International Ministries at 5910 North W St. in Pensacola on Sunday at 3 p.m.

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Candidates raise about \$53K

BENJAMIN S. BRASCH
Alligator Writer

Three local politicians raised tens of thousands of dollars to spend on advertising, mailing and websites for their campaigns.

The newly elected District 1 Commissioner, Yvonne Hinson-Rawls, and the at-large 1 runoff candidates, Lauren Poe and Nathan Skop, raised about \$53,000 collectively.

"If you talk to anybody who runs for office, they will tell you their least favorite part is raising money," Poe said. "It's tough."

Poe raised \$19,479.52 for his campaign.

He used WWD Strategies Inc., a political campaign consulting firm, started by UF political campaigning graduate students.

The firm managed Poe's volunteers and the logistics of his campaign, he said. Poe paid the firm \$5,636.44.

He spent a total of \$17,448.99 on his campaign.

"If you are people-rich and money-poor, then you go door-to-door and call your voters," Poe said.

Skop used a different tactic to get into the runoff: TV advertisements.

Skop paid about \$16,000 for Ozean Media

Inc., a Gainesville advertising agency, to create a 30-second TV ad detailing how he would continue the fight to protect people.

He also spent about \$3,100 on direct mailing to spread his message.

He spent \$120.24 on postage.

On Jan. 23, Skop spent \$50 on catering for a campaign fundraiser at Leonardo's 706.

"If you talk to anybody who runs for office, they will tell you their least favorite part is raising money."

Lauren Poe

runoff candidate for the at-large 1 seat

He raised \$21,635 and spent \$19,991.62 overall.

Skop could not be reached for comment.

Other candidates spread their views in other ways.

Hinson-Rawls, who spent a total of \$7,672.20, spent about \$500 for radio advertisements to air on WXJZ-FM Smooth Jazz and Praize 107.5.

She said the key to a successful campaign is successful fundraising. She raised \$11,461.33.

"Not everyone is going to say 'yes,'" Hinson-Rawls said. "And some people are going to say more than 'no.'"

Biden touts tuition plan

MEREDITH RUTLAND
Alligator Staff Writer

Cutting aid to colleges that do not keep tuition low and doubling the current number of available work-study jobs are highlights of the Obama administration's blueprint for keeping higher education affordable.

Vice President Joe Biden and Secretary of Education Arne Duncan discussed the blueprint with college journalists during a press conference call Thursday. The plan details proposed measures to increase financial aid and limit tuition increases.

While state governments handle public university funding and individual universities determine how to allocate their budgets, the federal government has the power to provide student financial aid.

Vice President Joe Biden said the president plans to put several programs into place in the coming year.

The administration plans to aid colleges that initiate programs that keep

college affordable and reduce aid to colleges that do not keep tuition low.

The college's affordability will be based on the net tuition, which is what a student pays on average after considering scholarships and loans.

The administration also plans to expand existing federal student financial aid programs.

Biden said the government currently pays \$980 million to fund 710,000 student work-study jobs. He said the president plans to

double the number of work-study jobs available.

The president's goal is to make the U.S. the country with the highest percent of college graduates, Biden said. The U.S. is currently No. 17 on that list.

"Any country that out-educates us is going to out-compete us," Biden said.



Biden

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Editorial

The weekend is here and football fans are preparing for Super Bowl Sunday.

Let's go through the checklist. Hotdogs? Check. Chips? Check. Adult Beverages? Check. Foam Fingers? Why not? Face paint? Too far, man.

Only one thing is missing before we can move into Super Bowl weekend. That's why it's time for this week's if-you-bring-anything-with-the-phrase-"hard"-in-it-you're-uninvited edition of...

Darts & Laurels

To kick it off, for thinking that anyone cares, we toss a you're-not-that-damn-important **DART** to **Donald Trump**, who kept the press on the edge of its seat yesterday as it awaited the announcement of whom he would endorse for president.

Guess what?

It doesn't matter one bit.

Next up, in honor of the weekend, we give a perfect-excuse-to-drink-and-eat-like-crap **LAUREL** to **Super Bowl parties**.

Whether or not you care who's playing or even if you dislike football, who can be against an excuse to party?

For being completely disgusting and kind of creepy, we give a think-of-the-worst-disease-ever-then-multiply-by-100 **DART** to **USA300**, a flesh-eating super-bug spreading across Britain that apparently can spread by sneezing.

It also causes boils and eats away at lung tissue.

Great!

For "perpetrating" a great prank, we give a be-careful-who-you-give-creative-license-to **LAUREL** to the **inmate from Vermont** who, when tasked with designing decals for police cruisers, implanted the shape of a pig on the state seal.

If you look closely at the seal, which is part of the decal on police cruisers, you can see that one of the cow's spots is shaped like a pig.

Brilliant.

For lacking restraint and reasoning skills, we throw a police-need-to-chill-the-eff-out **DART** to **Calumet City police officers** in Illinois, who shot and killed a 15-year-old boy with Asperger's syndrome, a mild form of autism.

The officers said that the boy was threatening them with a "kitchen knife," but his family said he was holding a butter knife.

What a disgrace!

Finally, we give a thank-you-for-showing-some-humanity **LAUREL** to **U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement** for not deporting Lidiene Carmo, a victim of the Interstate 75 crash last weekend, who lost her entire family. Carmo, 15, and her family were living in the U.S. on expired work visas.

Have a fun and safe weekend, and be sure to check back next week!

Reader response

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Column

14th Amendment wrongly interpreted

Not only does immigration keep our national demographics from stagnating, but it also adds to the fiber of America because we are a nation of immigrants. Almost every one of our family histories includes an immigrant, yet we come together with shared values and have built the most prosperous country in the world.

Personally, I do not have a problem with immigration. I think we should welcome everyone. But one phenomenon has always bothered me: "anchor babies." Children born on American soil gain birthright citizenship. "Anchor babies" refers to children of illegal immigrants who came to the U.S. to give birth solely to increase their chances of becoming legal residents because of their child's citizenship status. The idea of birthright citizenship should be revoked because it is unconstitutional and not economical.

Many point to the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution as the basis for birthright citizenship. It states, "All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States..." The purpose of the Fourteenth Amendment was to grant citizenship to recently freed slaves after the Civil War, not to provide blanket birthright citizenship. Many people simply disregard the "subject to the jurisdiction thereof" portion of the amendment as old English. But it, like every other word and phrase in the Constitution, serves a purpose. According to Sen. Howard in 1866, the Fourteenth Amendment applies to all people born in the U.S., except foreigners, aliens and families of ambassadors or foreign ministers.

Sen. Trumbull, the writer of the Thirteenth Amendment, also commented on the "subject to the jurisdiction thereof" line, defining it as "not owing allegiance to anyone else." This means having no allegiance to foreign countries. The interpretation of the Fourteenth Amendment has been misconstrued to mean birthright citizenship, so much so that there have been a few recent Congressional movements to officially define its interpretation.

The cost of "anchor babies" is increasing because the



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number of these children is on the rise. According to a 2009 Pew Research Center report, 73 percent of children born to illegal immigrants were born in the U.S. and were thus granted birthright citizenship. According to that same report, almost 7 percent of children in kindergarten through 12th-grade public education had

one parent who was an illegal immigrant.

Illegal aliens usually have their children in the emergency room because, by federal mandate, the E.R. must take and treat all patients, regardless of ability to pay. According to a 2007 Accuracy in Media special report, birthing babies to illegal immigrants in emergency rooms around the country costs taxpayers between \$3 billion and \$6 billion a year. Because of their economic situations, mothers of "anchor babies" are usually eligible for WIC assistance from the federal government. Illegal immigrants do not pay federal income taxes. So who foots the bill for the cost to birth, feed and school "anchor babies"? The answer is the American taxpayer. Clearly, birthright citizenship has encouraged people to come here illegally, have their children and live off our country's generous social safety net, putting a burden on the economy.

It really is a shame that immigration has become such a heated topic that people can't talk about it without shouting or getting out of their seats. I do sympathize with the people who look to America as a place for better lives for their children, but there has to be some sense of order to the immigration process.

"Anchor babies" hurt the U.S. economy and undermine the Constitution. We ought to have a second look at the Fourteenth Amendment and remove the incentive of birthright citizenship.

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The views expressed here are not necessarily those of the Alligator.

Guest column

Columnist shows elitism when addressing classroom, religion

I confess that in the course of my very busy days here at UF, I rarely am afforded the opportunity to read the Alligator, let alone write in to opine. However, after reading Luke Bailey's column "Rituals still have value in the age of reason" referencing the "Writing on the Wall" exhibit, I felt compelled to refute some of his statements.

Bailey states, "Sure, there are some backward holdovers — the right-wing fundamentalists, the street preachers and the Luddites — but they represent a small niche on campus, and we all attend class in an environment where Robespierre would feel right at home."

What was the author's purpose in making a statement like that, even when discussing a worthy expression of campus unity? Is the author somehow now the anointed arbiter of "reason" to the extent that he feels comfortable framing his arguments in such a publicly condescending manner?

What about left-wing fundamentalists? Are they somehow more reasonable? Occupiers — are they somehow more sincere than street preachers? Militant atheists — do they speak for the majority? All are ideological minorities to be sure, but probably far too fashionable to draw the Anointed Elite's ire as less than "reasonable," I suspect.

As to the comment concerning a classroom environment which would make Robespierre feel at home, I found this both profoundly ludicrous and rather instructive as to the author's worldview in making such extravagantly preposterous statements.

If a sophisticated Frenchman needed to illustrate the learning environment we enjoy here at UF, I would think one might select someone like Louis Pasteur, Jules Verne or Alexis de Tocqueville rather than a butcher like Robe-

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Speaking Out

s-pierre, who read a little Rousseau at school, argued against the death penalty and declared himself a "moderate" in his famous phrase "ni monarchiste ni républicain" (neither monarchist nor republican). He later decided to become the arbiter of "reason" by bathing in the blood of thousands of his countrymen during the Reign of Terror. I don't know how things are done in the author's history department, but they luckily aren't nearly that "reasonable" anywhere else that I can see.

Later, Bailey goes on to say, "We no longer light incense or pray to the Virgin Mary — we're much too clever for that."

Au contraire. Just across University Avenue is a rather large Catholic church and student center — St. Augustine's. We've all noticed it. There are also Jewish, Lutheran, Islamic and Protestant houses of worship along the same street. But according to the author, presumably only the Great Unwashed still believe in such "quaint and illogical" beliefs. To this I would counter that my fellow students, probably in a significant majority, adhere to diverse religious practices which, though the "elite" among us may not approve of them, are neither unreasonable nor illogical.

The only illogical thing here is the ill-conceived pontification of the self-anointed "guardians of reason" who find their beliefs preferable to those of everyone else, using dismissive narratives to buttress their own vain assumptions. This is a capital mistake. Be they Catholic or Protestant, Muslim or Jewish, agnostic or devout, rest assured that they all prefer their views to those of others; otherwise they wouldn't hold them.

The major difference is, they don't take to the presses to smugly condescend to everyone else around them for not being as brilliant as they.

I found it ironic that Abdul Zalikha's article on the opposing page from Bailey's was about not being dismissive of the thoughts of others, even when they may appear potentially disagreeable, as in the case of 9/11 "Truthers." Because he is a history major, I know that a valuable lesson the author might take away from his training is the danger of dismissing ideas, particularly when, historically, the loudest mockers often end up being the ones dismissed themselves over the course of time. The rights to self-determination, especially religious liberty, and the struggle to attain and retain the same is a basic tenet of all mankind, no matter one's nationality. But only in America is such a rich inheritance the birthright of every one of us to jealously guard against all trespasses — no matter how "unreasonable" this may seem to those who think they must know better than we.

I would respectfully suggest that some still have a great deal to learn about a great deal of things. My hope is that they are taught as quickly as possible because the responsibility for defending personal liberty against those who purport to know "better" than we how to live, think and pray, and who are invariably only acting for "our own good," has already fallen to each and every young American. Beware, the smug Anointed Elite, wherever you find them, because for each one of these you depose, there will always be another coming along to take its place, possibly even from the history department.

We just hunted them down and killed them.

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UWire

Changes to Google privacy policy harmless, benefit users

Last week, Google announced its new privacy policy, which will take effect March 1.

The policy strives for simplicity in both length and language, and it unifies nearly all of Google's services, products and websites. The notable changes in the policy focus on the merges and the ways this will affect advertising and the overall privacy of Google's users.

While Google reasons that having one privacy policy mutually benefits both users and advertisers, there are privacy advocates who are alarmed by the changes. Jeffery Chester, executive director at The Center for Digital Democracy, told NPR that "online advertisers want to be assured that they can access users online, knowing everything

possible about them," which Google's privacy changes would provide.

Despite these baseless concerns, Google's senior vice president, Alan Eustace, told NPR that collecting data from multiple Google services will give users innovative experiences. For example, by combining information gathered from the calendar feature and data from map and traffic applications, Google can determine what time a user can leave his or her house so he or she can arrive at a scheduled meeting in San Francisco without worrying about road congestion.

The changes made to Google's privacy policy would likely not affect the lives of everyday citizens and the new policy pledges to request consent for further changes. If users are still not convinced that the changes

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are harmless, there are options.

One option is to disable cookies on your Internet browser because cookies play a significant role in how Google is able to track you across its services. In addition, one can choose not to use Google. Because of the innovative and competitive Internet environment, there are other search engines, email accounts, social networking sites and service options other than Google, including Hotmail and Bing.

At the very least, Google is giving users enough time to adjust should they decide to close their Gmail or YouTube accounts.

Ultimately, privacy groups can reprimand these policy changes, but few people

seem to care about how their data is used, as shown by the popularity of Facebook.

There is no doubt that Google is prevalent and this privacy policy change reflects a changing Internet culture. The Internet and all the technological devices that access it can be easily valued as a human right.

In fact, last June the United Nations published a report declaring Internet access a fundamental human right.

Viewing the Internet in this sense allows us to easily forget that there are real companies seeking revenue that can justify giving advertisers user data because this business model has gone relatively unchallenged.

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Alligator Writer

One year ago, the Gainesville City Commission ruled that 64-year-old Gainesville resident Bruce Baber couldn't run his dog-sitting business from his home because it was against city codes.

Baber has since been waiting for the commission to change its mind.

To his dismay Thursday night, the commission — in a 4 to 3 vote — again ruled against a petition that would allow dog-sitting businesses in single-family neighborhoods.

Mayor Craig Lowe, commissioners Scherwin Henry, Susan Bottcher and Todd Chase voted against the petition. Commissioners Thomas Hawkins, Jeanna Mastrodicasa and Randy Wells voted in support.

"We cannot make a decision for an entire city based on one person," Bottcher said.

After apologizing to Baber, Chase said residential dog-walking businesses wouldn't

help his district.

About 10 residents voiced opinions of Baber's business, some for and some against.

Those against the petition said dog-sitting businesses would cause too much noise and too much traffic. Some of Baber's neighbors have already complained of excessive bark-



Lowe

ing. Baber's next-door neighbors, Michael and June Bowe, said it was simple: Commercial businesses should not be run in residential areas.

"It wasn't about Baber," he said. "We wish him all the best. But no

commercial businesses should be in residential neighborhoods."

Those who supported Baber said his business wasn't disruptive.

Baber, who walked out of City Hall with his head down, refused to comment.

UF one of top fun-loving colleges

► **UF INCLUDED ON LIST OF TOP 19 MOST FUN-LOVING SCHOOLS.**

DANIEL ELSESSER

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A new list confirmed what any Florida football fan or Humans vs. Zombies player could have said: Gators just want to have fun.

UF was recently selected as one of the top 19 "Colleges for the Most Fun-Loving" by InsideCollege.com, which creates college lists based on expert opinions, student reviews and statistics.

The list ordered schools alphabetically and does not indicate ranking within the list.

InsideCollege used input from high

school counselors, admissions representatives and educational planners to compile the list.

Two other Florida schools, the University of Miami and Rollins College, made the list.

UF spokesman Steve Orlando said the volume and variety of UF's activities make student life fun.

"There are nearly 1,000 student clubs on campus, to give an idea of how much students here like to be active," Orlando said.

Senior Lesleyanne Drake said students create a nonjudgmental atmosphere and a diverse campus. She thought the "fun-loving" label sounded more positive than a "party school" status.

UF is also on InsideCollege's lists of "The 50 Most Stressful Colleges" and "Colleges Ranked Highest in Sexual Health."

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HEALTH

Cancer foundation cuts funding for Planned Parenthood

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Susan G. Komen for the Cure Foundation, the nation's leading breast cancer charity organization, ended its six-year partnership with the Planned Parenthood Federation of America on Wednesday.

Nineteen Planned Parenthood affiliates will no longer receive funding from the Susan G. Komen Foundation, according to a statement on Planned Parenthood's website.

Planned Parenthood said long-term pressure from anti-abortion groups following the publicizing of Susan G. Komen Foundation's partnership with the Women's Health Services in 2005 led to the split.

"We are alarmed and saddened that the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Foundation appears to have succumbed to political pressure," said Cecile Richards, president of Planned Parenthood, in a statement. "Our greatest desire is for Komen to reconsider this policy and recommit to the partnership on which so many women count."

Staci Fox, president and CEO of Planned Parenthood of North Florida, said the North Florida affiliate was not one of the 19 affect-

ed by the foundation's decision to cut funds.

"We're continuing to do what we do every day, which is take care of the women, men and teens who

come to see us for critical health care services," she said. "That's really our focus."

The Susan G. Komen Foundation spokeswoman Leslie Aun told

the Associated Press that Planned Parenthood is under investigation by Rep. Cliff Stearns, R-Fla., to determine if the organization is using federal money to fund abor-

tions.

Aun said the organization's decision to end the partnership with Planned Parenthood was based on a new policy that cuts funding to organizations under investigation by local, state or federal authorities.

The foundation granted the 19 affiliates about \$680,000 last year and \$580,000 the previous year for breast cancer screenings and breast health education, Fox said.

Planned Parenthood has about 79 locally governed affiliates nationwide operating almost 800 health centers and is the largest provider of abortions in the U.S.

Founded in 1982, the Susan G. Komen Foundation has donated more than \$1.9 billion to breast cancer research, health services and advocacy.

Fox said 24 hours after the foundation's decision, about 6,000 donors nationwide raised \$400,000 in support of the 19 Planned Parenthood affiliates.

"Our donors have really stepped up and given online and directly to our affiliates to help support that funding loss," she said.

The Alligator could not reach Susan G. Komen Foundation representatives for comment.



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 099 Buick Century \$3999
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St. Francis House is a homeless shelter and soup kitchen located in downtown Gainesville and we are looking for help from volunteers like you.
 St. Francis House is in need of donations such as personal hygiene items and household cleaners such as bleach and liquid Lysol.
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 by David L. Hoyt 2-3-12

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 5. Fruit APELP
 6. Map within a map SITNE
 7. Smell TSCNHE

DOWN
 CLUE ANSWER
 1. Tranquil DLICPA
 2. _____ agreement UTNPAL
 3. Spouse's son PSSOTNE
 4. Spot LHOCTB

CLUE: Two different countries call this home.

BONUS ○○○○○○○○○○

How to play Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

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Weekly SUDOKU
 by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
 ★★★ HOO BOY!

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14 Help Wanted

Bench Scientist Position. Research with ELISAs and antibody production. Familiarity with ELISAs and immunology desired. Should have a Bachelor's degree in science field. Please send resume to info@elisa-tek.com 2-20-12-14-14

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15 Services

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16 Health Services

HIV ANTIBODY TESTING Alachua County Health Dept. Call 334-7960 for app't (optional \$20 fee)

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18 Personals

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19 Connections

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20 Event Notices

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21 Entertainment

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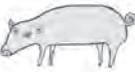
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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS

1 Pre-Columbian Indians

6 Went headfirst, maybe

10 Persian, for one

13 Wild weather

14 Heavy reading

16 Suffix with Seattle

17 Communications problem?

19 Sleep acronym

20 Summary of a shrinking mass?

22 Capital of Colorado?

24 T designation

25 Marlin's son, in a 2003 film

26 Caused an insurrection

28 Court maneuver

32 Jungle noise

33 Characterize

36 Title for the longest bridge?

40 Two-part answer

41 Vet

42 Bangkok natives

43 Pennsylvania home of Lafayette College

45 Control

48 Well-chosen

49 Colorado native

50 Construction site order?

56 Signs of press conference uncertainty

57 Hardly the award for Chernobyl?

60 Type of screen, briefly

61 Put down

62 Prey catcher

63 "___-hoo!"

64 Marine: Abbr.

65 City south of Florence

DOWN

1 Co. for surfers

2 Degree in math?

3 Work together

4 Florence's river

5 Is suspicious

6 Firewood measure

7 Activity centers

8 Apple's G5, e.g.

9 Take out

10 Enchantress who lived on the island Aeaea

11 Starters

12 Presto, for one

15 35mm camera initials

18 Continue violently

21 Draws in

22 Medicine, one would hope

23 Modeling aid

27 Agamemnon's avenger

28 Lowly workers

29 "This ___ joke!"

30 Taper?

31 Its processing produces slag

33 Actress Conn

34 Critter in a domed shell

35 Cereal killer

37 "Forget it!"

38 "'Twas white then as the new-fa'en ___": Alexander Anderson

39 Thing to do in style

43 Foil alternative

44 Diamond turns

45 For real

46 Transmission repair franchise

47 Screw up

48 Stop on the Metro?

51 "Charlotte's Web" monogram

52 Beach filler

53 Yu the Great's dynasty

54 Famous last words

55 Berry used as a dietary supplement

58 Bass ending

59 Protein-building polymer

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Photo Courtesy of Tim Casey

Florida junior tennis player Bob van Overbeek said this weekend's match against No. 2 Virginia will serve as a gauge for determining just how good the team is this season.

Top-five teams present stiffest competition of season for UF

► NO. 5 MEN TRAVEL TO NO. 2 UVA WHILE TOP-RANKED WOMEN MEET NO. 5 BAYLOR ON ROAD.

ELI MARGER
Alligator Writer

After opening the season largely without being challenged, the Florida men's and women's tennis teams will take trips to nationally ranked teams in what is sure to be a difficult weekend of tennis for both.

The No. 5 men's team (3-0) will travel to Charlottesville, Va., for an indoor match against No. 2 Virginia on Saturday at 1 p.m.

The No. 1 women (2-0) will travel to Waco, Texas, for a match against No. 5 Baylor also on Saturday at 1 p.m.

For the women, who have yet to drop a point, Baylor will be a barometer match to truly gauge Florida's progress. After two relatively easy wins against Troy and UCF, the Gators will use this match at Baylor to get ready for a very tough stretch of matches that includes a trip to No. 2 Stanford next weekend.

The men, who qualified last weekend for the ITA Indoor Nationals in Charlottesville, will be facing the tougher challenge, playing the No. 2 team in the country. Plus, the fact that Virginia plays indoors changes the dynamic of the match.

"The time that you have in between shots is significantly less, which drastically impacts play," coach Andy Jackson said. "It's a faster game, which gives (a player)

less time to make his swings."

"The easiest way to explain it," he said, "is that it's why (Rafael) Nadal always beats (Roger) Federer on clay, and why Federer generally plays much better on indoors or hard."

The Cavaliers also feature two of the nation's top-15 singles players. No. 1 Mitchell Frank and No. 11 Jarmere Jenkins will be the two best Florida has faced this season.

Virginia also has four doubles teams ranked in the top 50 in the nation. In that sense, Florida will enter this match as underdogs.

"We had Billy (Federhofer) and Nas-sim (Slilam) play in the national indoors in the fall and they did pretty good," junior Bob van Overbeek said, "and we had the warm-up tournament in Kentucky on indoor courts. So this will be our first collec-

UF Tennis

tive team effort indoors against one of the top teams in the country."

Part of the goal of the weekend is to prepare for the Indoor Nationals next month, but a more pressing one is to see how the team fares against elite competition.

Much like the women will be tested at Baylor, the men will use this weekend's match as the first true test of the team's ability.

"We're looking forward to going and using them as a measuring stick to see where we are right now," he said.

"We know we're good, but we don't know how good, and we'll see after this weekend."

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Gators hold off late charge by 'Cocks

► UF WON 74-66 THURSDAY.

JOHN BOOTHE
Alligator Staff Writer

When South Carolina hosted Florida nearly three weeks ago, the Gamecocks allowed their visitors to shoot 50 percent from three and steal their first road win of the season before they left town.

On Thursday night at the O'Connell Center, the Gamecocks proved to be a far less gracious defensive team.

Due to a season-low 25 percent shooting effort from three, the No. 12 Gators (18-4, 6-1 Southeastern Conference) were forced to hit the glass and clean up their misses to hold on in a 74-66 win against the Gamecocks (9-12, 1-6 SEC).

"We almost got caught because I didn't think we had great maturity and understanding about the things you can control," UF coach Billy Donovan said. "I told the players after the game, 'If you can control shooting the ball, we'd never miss a shot.'"

While Donovan described the Gators' offensive performance as woeful, Florida's players maintained a frenetic pace on the boards whenever they did miss.

Florida's 22 field goals on 59 shots were the second-fewest its made all season, but the team made up for it by garnering a 42-30 edge on the boards and scoring 17 sec-

ond-chance points off 20 offensive rebounds.

"What won the game for us [Thursday] was that we really did a great job getting to the offensive glass," Donovan said.

After an early barrage of three 3-pointers from Florida guards Kenny Boynton and Erving Walker built a double-digit lead just under seven minutes into the game, South Carolina clamped down its perimeter defense with an extended zone. The Gamecocks held the Gators to 1 of 13 from three in the second half.

"Me probably being on him the last two days, telling him he's got two offensive rebounds in six games maybe had something to do with it too."

Billy Donovan
UF basketball coach

The switch from a man-to-man defense sent the Gators' field-goal shooting into a tailspin, but yielded plenty of chances for offensive rebounds, which freshman Brad Beal took full advantage of.

Despite going up against the SEC's top defensive rebounding team, the 6-foot-3 Beal hauled in five of his 11 rebounds on the offensive glass and scored 17 points on 5-of-11 shooting.

"Coach got in our heads all week in practice about the (small forward, power forward and centers) going for the offensive re-

bound," Beal said. "In the first half we had 14, so I really wanted to attack the glass because they weren't blocking out."

Beal, who leads Florida in defensive rebounds this season, had been held without an offensive board in four of his six previous SEC games.

The Gators, meanwhile, were out-rebounded as a team in four of their last five heading into Thursday.

"Me probably being on him the last two days, telling him he's got two offensive rebounds in six games maybe had something to do with it, too," Donovan said. "[Beal] and Erik Murphy, if you look at the SEC (schedule), Kenny Boynton has more offensive rebounds than both."

Boynton, who finished with three rebounds, and Walker reached double-figures in scoring with 24 and 14, respectively, but no other Florida players scored more than five points.

Boynton, on a 4-of-8 performance from three, helped seal the victory and extend the Gators' perfect home record to 12-0 with five of his game-high eight free throws in the final 1:09.

"In my freshman year, we kind of let some home wins slip away," Boynton said. "We learned from those and we just got to keep moving forward."

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Florida freshman guard Brad Beal scored 17 points and grabbed 11 rebounds Thursday in the Gators' 74-66 win against South Carolina.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Florida overcomes injury, foul trouble to defeat LSU on road

JOE MORGAN
Alligator Staff Writer

No Jordan Jones, no problem for the Gators.

Without its second-leading scorer and team captain, Florida completed just its season sweep of LSU in program history with a 73-64 victory on the road Thursday night.

Jones, a redshirt senior guard, was ruled out before tip-off due to a concussion suffered during last Sunday's game against Arkansas.

"Our seniors, collectively, really did a great job," coach Amanda Butler said. "It's just really hard to point out one or two people because it really truly was a team ef-

fort."

One senior who stepped up to fill the void left by Jones was center Azania Stewart.

She finished the game with 12 points and 10 rebounds — both team-best marks — recording her first double-double of the season.

Joining Stewart with solid efforts in the post were redshirt senior Ndidi Madu and junior Jennifer George.

Madu scored a season-high 12 points while George chipped in nine, but the duo managed just three combined rebounds.

George's numbers were lower than her season averages due in part to her early foul trouble.

"Azania was absolutely huge,

Ndidi's play was huge," Butler said. "George gave us a spurt there for a while when we did go a little bit cold."

George was one of three Gators — joining senior guards Deana Allen and Lanita Bartley — to record two fouls in the first eight minutes of the game.



Madu

Due to a combination of Jones' injury and early foul trouble for Allen and Bartley, freshman Andrea Vilaro Aragonés assumed an increased role.

The Spanish guard provided a boost in the transition game and

the press for Florida, setting career-high marks with 24 minutes, five points and a team-best four steals.

"Since we were a little bit short-handed and got ourselves in some foul trouble, we started to get a little bit tired," Butler said.

"When one person went out, someone else stepped in and took up the slack."

Aragonés was part of a balanced offensive game from the guard position.

In addition to Aragonés' five, Bartley tied for the team lead with 12 points while Allen and sophomore Jatterra Bonds scored nine each.

For the fourth time this season, every player that saw the floor

scored.

"We were doing a pretty good job of moving the ball around and took, for the most part, pretty good shots on the outside," Butler said. "We talked about not shooting ourselves out of it."

While Florida managed offensively sans Jones, the team also turned in a solid defensive performance.

The Gators scored 26 points off 22 turnovers by the Tigers.

"We had so much more focus on playing great defense than hitting shots," Butler said. "We just weren't concerned about that. We knew we would hit enough (shots)."

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Bob van Overbeek and the UF men's tennis team travels to play No. 2 Virginia this weekend. See story, page 14.

Florida, Muschamp still recruiting

Although National Signing Day has passed, the Gators continue to add recruits with the oral commitments Thursday of 2013 linebackers Daniel McMillian and James Hearn. UF already has four commits for next year's class.

The Video Show

Check alligatorSports.org on Friday night for the semester's first edition of the alligatorSports video show, featuring basketball, baseball and recruiting.

THE TOM GREEN SHOW

Weak close on signing day doesn't mean much

Coffee is for closers. It's an iconic line from an Alec Baldwin monologue in the film adaptation of "Glengarry Glen Ross," which is about the cutthroat real estate business. The monologue details how the agents need to stick to their ABCs (Always Be Closing) and do one simple thing: Get the clients to sign on the dotted line.

That line, and that basic mantra, also applies to the equally cutthroat business of college football recruiting.

And when it comes to this recruiting cycle, Florida coach Will Muschamp didn't earn his coffee on National Signing Day. The Gators whiffed on more than a handful of top undecided prospects on Wednesday, including five-star recruits Tracy Howard (Miami), Nelson Agholor (USC) and Josh Harvey-Clemons (Georgia) that would have, in all likelihood, netted Florida the mythical recruiting national title.

But that's OK, because while Muschamp didn't close on a lot of sales pitches on National Signing Day and many Gators fans are sure to be disappointed by the players he missed out on, he made waves in his first year recruiting in the Southeastern Conference as a head coach.

Despite a six-loss season that included a winless October, Muschamp brought in quite a haul in 2012.

I know the stars rating system used by recruiting services is a crapshoot, but the raw numbers show Florida tied with Alabama, Stanford and USC for the most five-star signees this cycle. The Gators were hands down the worst of those teams last season, and it wasn't even close.

Should wide receiver Stefon Diggs



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sign with Florida in a week when he makes his decision public, he would give Florida more five-stars than any other team in the nation.

Ratings aside, Florida's coaching staff raided North Carolina for four of the top 14 recruits in the state, including the top two. The Gators addressed their two biggest areas of concern by signing 14 line-of-scrimmage players. They picked up one of the best cornerbacks in the nation to play opposite Marcus Roberson, added another quarterback late in the process and picked up the type of running back UF needs to establish a power running game by signing the 6-foot-3, 225-pound Matt Jones.

Although momentum appeared to slow by a somewhat disappointing closeout on Wednesday, the Gators are still picking up steam on the recruiting trail, adding a pair of 2013 oral commitments Thursday, bringing the next class to four already, with all four on the ESPN 150 watch list.

As Muschamp posted Thursday morning on Twitter, you have to recruit every day. He has done just that despite Wednesday's oh-fer on the top uncommitted prospects.

Who cares about being able to close on that one day of the year when you are making your imprint the other 364?

Besides, we have all seen Muschamp on the sidelines; he doesn't need coffee.

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UF faces hostile road atmosphere against defending champ 'Bama

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Alligator Writer

In a chaotic and overwhelming environment last Friday, UF's gymnastics team competed against an elite Southeastern Conference opponent.

The same goes for tonight, but this time the crowd will be twice as large and won't be Gator chomping.

After defeating No. 1 Arkansas in a busy quad meet last Friday and totaling a 197.775, the fifth-highest team score in school history, No. 3 Florida (6-0, 2-0 SEC) will take on defending national champion No. 6 Alabama (5-0, 2-0 SEC) in the Coleman Coliseum in Tuscaloosa, Ala., tonight at 8:30.

The Crimson Tide have lost only five times at home in the last decade, and the team's attendance ranks among the nation's leaders, as the Coleman Coliseum can hold a maximum capacity of 15,075 for gymnastics.

The last time the Gators won in a dual meet in Tuscaloosa was in 1979.

"I did hear that there's 15,000 people," said Kytra Hunter, who was named SEC Freshman of the Week for the second week in a row. "It's going to be fun. We did compete against a No. 1 team and we

can beat [Alabama]. You never know what's going to come out."

Alabama averaged 11,971 fans per meet last season, and in its home opener against Georgia on Jan. 13, the attendance was 14,501, more than triple the O'Connell Center crowd of 4,796 that attended the Gators' season debut against Illinois-Chicago three weeks ago.

"We did compete against a No. 1 team and we can beat [Alabama]."

Kytra Hunter
freshman gymnast

While the Gators are battle-tested after last Friday's quad meet win, the atmosphere in Tuscaloosa presents a whole new challenge for coach Rhonda Faehn's young squad.

"Over 50-60 percent of the team has never been there," Faehn said.

"It's going to be a great experience for them to be able to see a very competitive environment, probably the largest crowd we'll ever encounter this season."

During the last decade, Florida vs. Alabama has been a very competitive rivalry, as the home team has won in the regular season the last nine years.

The two squads have also won four of the last five SEC

Championships. Since 2007, the two teams are even at 8-8-1.

In 2011, the Gators handed the Crimson Tide its first loss of the regular season in a 197.550-195.450 clobbering in Gainesville. But Alabama went on to win SEC and NCAA Championships, while UF placed second at the SECs and missed the cut to make the NCAA Super Six by .75 points.

Alabama is coming off a nail-biting 196.325-196.250 win against No. 16 Auburn on the road last Friday. While the Tide don't have any all-around competitors ranked in the top 25 nationally, it holds the No. 1 vault average in the country (49.333).

Faehn is still determining if her four main all-around competitors — juniors Marissa King and SEC Gymnast of the Week Ashanee Dickerson, sophomore Alaina Johnson and Hunter — will play the same role tonight, although she said the lineups will look similar to last Friday's rotations.

"We're going to do what Rhonda said and stay in our own little bubble," Dickerson said.

"(We're not going to) worry about what the other team is doing and what the crowd is doing because they want us to mess up."

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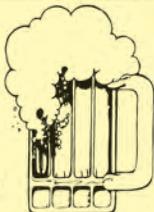
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